

Abraham Lincoln papers

From John A. Dix to Simon Cameron, September 19, 1861

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Fort McHenry

Lieut Copeland A. D. C. to Maj Gen Banks who made the arrests at Frederick¹ recommends the discharge of Mr McCubbin the member from Annapolis City on taking the oath of allegiance Mr M is on the Baltimore

¹ It was rumored that the Maryland legislature was planning to meet in Frederick on September 17 and pass an ordinance of secession. In response to this rumor, the military arrested several members of the legislature along with many other prominent politicians and newspaper editors in the state.

John A. Dix

Repy referred to the Secy of State for such action as to him may seem advisable — please advise Genl Dix by telegraph

Thomas A Scott

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